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INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.
„ „ „ 6 „ ... 3½ „
„ „ „ 3 „ ... 2½ „

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897. [31

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL	$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND	$ 7,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS	$10,000,000

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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 8th November, 1897. [3

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [9

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital	£1,000,000
Paid up Capital	£ 324,374

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

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Chief Manager,
G. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
On Current Account, Daily Balances 2 per Cent. per Annum.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [7

Insurances.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [38

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 EQUAL TO	$833,333.33.
RESERVE FUND	$318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1885. [36

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 26th May, 18[illegible]. [80

Masonic.

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY, the 13th instant, at [illegible] precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1897. [1794

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON	*Formosa*	A. G. Cobitt, R.N.R.	9.30 A.M., 10th Dec	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c.	*Java*	J. Chelley, R.N.R.	About 13th Dec.	Freight or Passage. via SHANGHAI.
SHANGHAI	*Chusan*	E. Street	About 13th Dec.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON &c.	*Mirzapore*	T. Wickenden	Noon, 16th Dec.	See Special Advertisement.
JAPAN	*Verona*	C. H. S. Tocque, R.N.R.	Noon, 17th Dec.	Freight or Passage.
STRAITS AND BOMBAY	*Peshawur*	F. W. Vibert R.N.R.	About 18th Dec.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	*Canton*	D. C. Grigor, R.N.R.	About 23rd Dec.	Freight or Passage.

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H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1897. [5

W. POWELL & CO.

GREAT PREPARATIONS FOR THE

XMAS TRADE

WE SHALL MAKE AN *IMMENSE SHOW* OF *NEW STOCK* ON DECEMBER 13TH AND FOLLOWING DAYS.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1897. [19

BRANDIES.

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V.	Per doz	$13
O.V.	„	$15
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H. PRICE & CO.,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1897. [16

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WHAT? WHY, THAT BEAUTIFUL

AMERICAN BUTTER

AT

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY.

$1.60 PER ROLL,

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1897. [116

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The Company's Steam-launch attends the arrival and departure of all Mail Steamers.

Special attention paid to the Comfort of Visitors.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager.

Yokohama, 1st October, 1897. [48

Intimations.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY. LIMITED.

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FOR THE
UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LIMITED, LONDON,
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OLD BURGUNDIES—Vintages 1878 to 1885. From Gallette Jeune et Cton'on, Established 1796.

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Hongkong, 7th August, 1897 [26

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Jubilee Book of Cricket, by Prince Ranjitsinhji	$ 4.00	Romantic India, by Chevrillon	4.50
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Chin-Chin-Wa, by Hannen	2.50	Dynamo and Electric Motors	1.70
Dictionary of Words—Facts and Phrases, by Edwards	2.50	Life of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, by Barnett	2.50
		Making of England by Green, 2 vols.	6.50

Hongkong, 27th October, 1897. [18

PORTS

TELEPHONE—
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Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [14

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A trial will prove that the wine is of no mean order and it has been pronounced by eminent connoisseurs to be the best procurable.

"GOOD WINE NEEDS NO BUSH."

Nothing more than a trial is invited.

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1897. [1-m 1753

REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business at NOON TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 10th instant respectively.

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA,
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED,
G. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED,
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, Hongkong Agency,
G. G. F. AUGUSTIN,
Manager.

For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED, HONGKONG,
CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.
S. CHOH,
p' Agent.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1897. [1790

REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business at NOON TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 10th instant respectively.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.
General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.
N. J. EDE,
Secretary,
UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LD.
W. H. PERCIVAL,
Agent,
NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO., LD.
W. H. RAY,
Secretary,
CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LD.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents,
YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LD.
J. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary,
CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.
W. H. T. DAVIS,
Acting Manager,
THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1897. [1795

VICTORIA REGATTA.

TO-MORROW,
(FRIDAY), the 10th December.

CAPTAIN BLEEKER having kindly lent the Victoria Recreation Club the German Mail s.s. *Hohenzollern* as Flagship, the Committee request the pleasure of the Company of the LADIES of Hongkong on Board on the occasion of the ANNUAL REGATTA.

Through the courtesy of the Chief Manager of the DOCK COMPANY, the *Fame* will convey passengers to the Flagship each day, leaving the NEW PEDDER'S WHARF at 12.30 P.M., and 1 P.M. and returning 10 minutes after the last Race.

Admission to the Flagship, $1 each day.

A Portion of the Flagship will be reserved for Ladies and their Friends.

TICKETS of Admission may be obtained from the STEWARD, Victoria Recreation Club, or on board.

By kind permission of Major RETALLICK and the Officers, the BAND of the Hongkong Regiment will perform each day.

The Ferry Launch *Wing Lee* will run from PEDDER'S WHARF to the FLAGSHIP every Half Hour, from 11.30 A.M. to 6.30 P.M. FARE, TEN CENTS each way.

W. MACHELL,
Acting Hon. Secretary,
VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [1814

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THERE will be a SPOON COMPETITION on SATURDAY, the 11th instant, Commencing at 2.30 P.M.

RANGES, 700 and 800 yards. Entrance, 30 cents.

A. CHAPMAN,
Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1897. [64

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

MEMBERS of the CHORUS are requested to meet in the CITY HALL on MONDAY, the 13th inst. at 5.30 P.M., when practice will be resumed under the Conductorship of Mr. G. P. LAMMERT.

ALEX. CUMMING,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [1816

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

A GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held on FRIDAY, the 17th instant, at noon, in the CITY HALL.

The Public are invited to attend.

[illegible] FORBES,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, [illegible] December, 1897. [illegible]

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THE WORLD-FAMED HUMORIST
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MELO-MONOLOGUE
ENTERTAINMENT
consisting of
MUSICAL TRAVESTIES AND SOCIAL SATIRES.

TICKETS:—$3, $2 and $1.
Seats may be booked at W. ROBINSON & Co's.
Hongkong, 9th December, 1897. [1810

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

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(IN-DOOR).
SATURDAY, the 11th December, at 9 P.M.,
In aid of Band Funds.
SOLOISTS:—
M. Merck ....Cello.
(From Brussell's Conservatoire).
Bandsman Bowshire ....Barrow.
(H.M.S. *Centurion*).
E. Mirow, Esq. ....Zither.
W. G. Beatley, Esq., A.R.C.M. ....Clarionet.
Songs, Recitations, &c., by other Gentlemen.
ADMISSION..........................$1
TICKETS may be had from the Sergeants of the Corps or at the door.
Hongkong, 9th December, 1897. [1820

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XMAS and NEW YEAR'S CARDS in various DESIGNS, CADBURYS CHOCOLATE CREMES in Fancy Boxes of various Sizes.

CALLARD and BOWSER'S ASSORTED TOFFEES and BUTTER SCOTCH, TOM SMITH'S and BATGERS XMAS CRACKERS, COMPAGNIE FRANCAISE FANCY SWEETS of various Kinds.

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Hongkong, 9th December, 1897. [1822

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship
"ONSANG,"
Captain C. J. Mattock, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 14th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th December, 1897. [1819

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FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

THE Company's Steamship
"DEUCALION,"
Captain Branch, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 15th instant, at 3 P.M.
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Hongkong, 9th December, 1897. [1821

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [15.6

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The Manager
"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE,
No. 6, Pedder's Hill,
Hongkong, 6th December, 1897. [1515

Intimation.

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ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

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BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brand, in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [6

BIRTHS.

On the 19th November, at No. 105, Bluff, Yokohama, the wife of H. ABBOO, of twin sons.

On November 13th, the wife of W. H. GILL, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

On the 18th November, at Paris, MYATHILLE OPPENHEIMER, of the firm of Messrs. Oppenheimer Frères, of Kobe.

On November 22nd, at Yokohama, suddenly ARTHUR E. MONROE, of E. T. Meson & Co. of Yokohama.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1897.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

From our report of yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council it will be seen that the Governor of this Colony, as we have frequently said before, does not govern. He means well and we must give him credit for the very best intentions in the world, but

Good intentions pave the road to hell.

(This is no doubt a "vulgar and scurrilous" remark.) H.E. had good intentions in regard to the looting of the Colony at the rate of 17½ per cent. on the cash value of its loyalty. So he tried to induce the Secretary of State to allow him to omit from the 17½ per cent. levy such items of the Colony's revenue as were devoted to the celebration of Her Majesty's Jubilee, but the Secretary of State, like the old woman's pig, "would not." And so for every dollar which the Colony contributes as a token of respect and dutiful admiration of Queen VICTORIA, we are ruthlessly stuck for fourpence sterling. We may in all sincerity echo the prayer of the whole world "God save the Queen" but we must add a corollary "Deuce take her Ministers," not to mention her Governors who do not govern.

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We have been asked whether there is any Hongkong bylaw prohibiting or checking or regulating in any way the moving of cattle along the streets and roads of this Colony. At a time like this when epidemics among animals are cropping up here and there it is of the very highest importance to restrict the movement of cattle in public places and yet, any day, may be seen cows, pigs, and goats being taken all over the Colony by Chinese. We cannot on the spur of the moment state definitely whether there is any regulation or not, but we have an impression that there is no restriction whatever about street traffic in this respect. It is hardly necessary to point out the reasons which make it advisable to institute such a rule and we can only conclude that if there is no regulation it is a mere oversight on the part of the energetic and capable Veterinary Surgeon. We therefore recommend him to give his prompt attention to this matter and see that some efficient regulations be put in force without any delay, lest the whole Colony be ravaged by cattle diseases. One word more. Let the regulations not undergo the usual tedious process of taking a fortnight in the incubation, a fortnight in circulating to members of the Sanitary Board and another fortnight in getting passed and an indefinite length of time in getting confirmed by the Council. Surely some quicker method of saving cattle in the Colony can be devised, if only as a temporary expedient while the longer method is in progress.

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When writing a few days ago on the foreign staff of the Chinese Customs Service and on certain improvements suggested by a correspondent we did not deal fully with its principal point, namely, that there is nothing in the nature of an apprenticeship system, whereby a beginner could work up through every branch of the service, step by step, and every member of the upper ranks of the service would have in his time acquired experience of all the lower branches. At present it is comparatively seldom that anyone from the "Outdoor" is transferred to the "Indoor" staff. Our correspondent "Fiat Justitia Ruat Cœlum" maintains that it would be infinitely better if the "Indoor" and "Outdoor" were made one service, through which every man would have to go or would have a chance to go, step by step. This certainly would do away with much of the lack of sympathy between the two branches. It is undoubted that there often is an unfortunate lack of sympathy between the two departments, in spite of the rejoinder from our correspondent "Married Man" in Canton. There is friction frequently, and it is not an unreasonable suggestion at all that members of either branch would understand the position of the other branch all the better if they had been in it. Moreover, the juniors would have a greater stimulus, while the seniors would have more consideration. Whether the unification of the two branches would be feasible or not is quite a different matter, on which we prefer not to hazard any opinion. Even if feasible it is very much open to question whether it is likely that the Inspector General will go to the trouble of re-constructing the system, although, as we have said, it would be a desirable change.

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It is curious, though quite in harmony with the usual practice, that so little attention is given to the hoisting of the Russian flag in the British protectorate of Sikkim (on the borders of India and Thibet). The reports say that it was a "mad Russian." That is all very well, and it may be true, or it may not. It depends what is meant exactly by the word "mad." People said that Dr. JAMESON was mad when he tried to carry the British flag into Johannesburg. He failed and was put in gaol, and that, no doubt, did make him mad in another sense of the word. But these Russians have a peculiar habit of doing unauthorised things just to see "what will happen next." Possibly there was some equally mad person at the bottom of the Poona outrages. The Hadda Mullah is nicknamed the "Mad Mullah." It is a very common plea. We are not doubting that the Russian gentleman was mad, for it is our private belief that human nature always contains a touch of inherent madness which is liable to crop out sometimes with startling results, although in other cases it never shows itself perceptibly. This Russian gentleman was mad, let us say; but what is the method of his madness? Was he really unauthorised? Or, as an affirmative answer will be given to that question as a matter of course, it is better to ask—Is it certain that there will not be other similar Russian attempts to cause trouble in India whether successfully or not? In fact, is it certain that this eccentric Russian has nothing to do with the trouble which has already been caused? It is all very well to brand the poor Chinaman as a demon of duplicity, and say that

For ways that are dark,
And for tricks that are vain,
The heathen Chinee is peculiar.

He is not so particularly peculiar as the Russian. We may be willing to believe the profound protestations of pacific intentions on the part of the Russian Government, but how many more "mad" Russians are there prowling about in India or on the border?

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It seems that there are also mad Frenchmen. We mentioned not long ago the silly scheme proposed by Prince HENRY of Orleans to forestall the Anglo-Egyptian forces in Khartoum; and now Reuter informs us to-day that "a French expedition under Major MARCHAND (bound for the Nile has been massacred at Bahz-Hazal; only a remnant escaped." Now, if the Peace Society had its International Court of Arbitration established and in working order, this would be a fine case to try out, to find how much blame France deserves for these *ballons d'essai*, and we can put our finger right down on the spot where it would collapse. Counsel for the defence of these French filibusters would put in a plea of insanity and irresponsibility. The funny thing is how all these mad people seem to run up against the British Empire. Their excuse, of course, would be that there is no room to move about anywhere in the world without coming across some piece marked British. But it was the same in the days when the British Empire was in its infancy. When we had barely a foot-hold in India, and were just setting to work expanding ourselves in approved British fashion, quite a remarkable number of French fire-eaters started out with the avowed intention, not of making a French Empire in some unoccupied sphere, but of cutting out the British. DUPLEIX was the most famous, and altogether a most admirable man; but there were some others who would be better described as infamous. DUPLEIX came within a hair's-breath of succeeding, and one of the bitterest regrets of modern France is the failure to back him up at the proper time. He was called mad then. Similarly this Russian in Sikkim is now called mad and is not backed up, but the next of his sort may have better luck.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

MASSACRE OF A FRENCH EXPEDITION TO THE NILE.

LONDON, December 7th.

A French expedition under Major Marchand bound for the Nile has been massacred at Bahz-Hazal; only a remnant escaped.

HAYTI AND THE GERMAN DEMANDS.

Hayti has complied with Germany's demands.

GERMANY AND CHINA.

It is understood that China regards the occupation of Kiao Chau as unjustifiable, and contrary to international law; that she will never consent to the Germans remaining, and will regard as an unfriendly act the recognition, by the Treaty Powers, of any annexation of Chinese territory by Germany without the acquiescence of China.

[This ought to frighten the Powers.]

JAPANESE TELEGRAMS.

["KOBE CHRONICLE" TRANS.]

SEOUL, November 19th.

The Korean Minister for Foreign Affairs proposes to prohibit the exportation of rice, and the proposal is reported to have received strong support in the Korean Government.

[It will be remembered that a similar measure adopted by the Korean Government in 1893 led to very strained relations for a time between Korea and Japan, the former Power ultimately consenting to pay a heavy indemnity to the latter in consideration of the injury done to Japanese merchants in Korea by the Edict. Circumstances have greatly changed since those days.—ED. *K.C.*]

TOKIO, November 19th.

A dispatch from Mr. Futatsubashi, the Japanese Commercial Agent at Vladivostok, to the Foreign Department, states that in reply to his note requesting the arrest of the murderers of Japanese fishermen on the Siberian coast, the Russian authorities stated that they would arrest the offenders with as little delay as possible, but pointed out that there might be some delay, as Vladivostok is cut off from communication with the district in winter.

SEOUL, November 20th.

The Russian Minister is reported to have offered the Korean Bank a loan of a million yen or more, at an interest of 3 per cent.

The *Independent* states that a Korean company has been formed to buy up rice and prevent its exportation. Application has been made to the Finance Department for a loan of one million three hundred thousand yen to be used with this object. Russians are believed to be behind the scheme.

SEOUL, November 20th.

The funeral obsequies of the late Queen of Korea will take place on the 22nd inst. The Emperor will attend and the diplomatic corps is expected to be present.

TOKIO, November 21st.

The new Treaty between Japan and France having now reached the French Senate the Japanese Government hoped that it would be at once considered. It appears, however, that the Senate is fully occupied in debating the Budget and there is little prospect of an opportunity being found this year to consider the Treaty with Japan.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE buying rate for sovereigns is $10.08 per £.

THE Portuguese gunboat *Bengo* left for Macao to-day.

FOR practising the art of snatching earrings from a woman in Yau-ma-ti, an impudent thief was ordered at the Police Court to-day to be rusticated from further temptations for twelve calendar months.

THE *Powerful* will probably leave Colombo on Tuesday the 21st instant *en route* for Hongkong. The *Edgar* (with Rear-Admiral Fitzgerald and relief crews for vessels on the China Station) passed Aden on the 28th ultimo bound East.

THE following promotions in the Police Force have been confirmed by H. E. the Governor:—Inspectors Butlin and Kemp, to be first-class Inspectors; Inspectors Duncan and Hannah to be second-class Inspectors; Sergts. Robertson, Baker, and Gillies, to be third-class Inspectors.

WE understand that there is some probability of the new quick-firing guns which are to replace the six inch armament of the *Undaunted* arriving early in February, in which case it will mean another long spell in Hongkong for the cruiser while the new gun mountings are being fitted and the guns placed in position. The whole battery of the *Undaunted*, with the exception of her two nine-inch guns, will then be quick firing, and the ship will be doubly as useful a fighting machine as before being re-armed.

IN consequence of the allegations made by a Chinese woman against her prosecutor, Chinese constable 181, at the Magistracy yesterday, the constable was placed under arrest after the Captain Superintendent had read the written depositions of the case forwarded to him by the Magistrate. He was brought up at the Police Court this morning and charged with committing a robbery at the Hoi Ping district during the 12th moon last year (January, 1897) and further with another robbery in the Yuen Ping district during the 11th moon of the same year. Only evidence of the constable's arrest was taken and the case was remanded for a week.

LET us be thankful the Synagogue is put on the shelf till next week. With all due respect to the Court and the litigants and without any reference to the merits of the case, we must say that it does grow woefully wearisome to have, day after day, columns upon columns of the same old law suit, not that it is without interest in itself, but one can have too much of anything. We might have something as good to read as "Soldiers Three" for instance, but it would hardly do to swamp an evening newspaper every day for a week on end with half a hundredweight of solid print like that. And so we are very pleased to have two or three days breathing time, and we shall be devoutly thankful when the thing is finished, even if we may, by that time, be a good deal older than now.

MR. E. Burney Young has written to the *Times* pointing out that the exports of Australian wines to England exceed those from either Germany or Italy. He states that the depot has been the means of greatly extending the trade in wines.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Fruit and Vegetable Guild............$50

WE beg to remind our readers—if a reminder is necessary—that Frank Lincoln gives his inimitable show to-night, and we have little doubt that there will be a full house. We would like to hear what he would say if he was stuck for 17½ per cent. of his earnings on military contribution account, and we offer him the suggestion gratis. To-morrow night he appears at Canton, and on Saturday he will give his farewell performance in Hongkong.

WE beg to acknowledge receipt of the Imperial Maritime Customs *Gazette* for the third quarter of 1897, published at the Statistical Department of the Inspectorate-General, Shanghai. From this it appears that the total value of the imports into the West River Stages (Kongmun, Kumchuk, Shiushing, and Takhing) was 50 073 Hk. Tls., and exports 3,690 Hk. Tls. For Wuchow values of imports and exports are not given, but the total Customs revenue is stated at 36,241 Hk. Tls.

A VOLUNTEER Corps concert, to be held at Headquarters, is announced for Saturday, the 11th instant. The organisers of the Volunteers' concerts certainly show a wonderful aptitude for doing things the wrong way and to have this concert, in aid of the Band Fund, on the same evening as Frank Lincoln's entertainment which has been advertised for days, is inconsiderate and unkind. We have no desire to be too censorious, and we hope the Volunteers will not jump to the conclusion that we have a "down" on all their concerts. On the contrary, we mean it all for their good.

THE French flagship *Bayard* (with the Rear-Admiral), and the cruiser *Descartes* arrived here this morning, the former from Yokohama and the latter from Nagasaki. The flagship had on board Prince and Princess Monpaltare. Both ships had a rather unpleasant voyage and when off Amoy they encountered a heavy N.E. gale. The vessels, however, managed to weather it safely through their good sea-going qualities. The flagship sustained some slight damage, the fore-topgallant yard fell and a sailor had his feet crushed between the yard and the cap. At 11.30 the vessels saluted the Admiral and the *Centurion* acknowledged the compliment. The French gunboat *Comete* returned from Macao to-day.

THREE British bluejackets started out to paint Hongkong red last night, and while they were defying all the world to come and fight them in front of one of the West End hotels Inspector Duncan and Constables Gordon and MacSwayed appeared on the scene and created a "diversion." A proper rough and tumble ensued, and the police were hard pushed. A corporal of the West Yorks came readily to the aid of the police and two of the Jacks were arrested. The other made his escape and it was subsequently learnt that he had hidden himself in an ambulance outside of the Central Fire Station. The men arrested belonged to H.M.S. *Iphigenia* and *Centurion* and they were brought before Mr. Wodehouse to-day. The first man received a bad character from one of his officers and the second was described as being well conducted. They both owned up and were each fined $5. Too much praise cannot be given to the soldier for his ready action. He received a severe kick just above the belt, which caused him to spit blood freely. He also had his clothes injured and his conduct deserves due recognition, the police fully appreciating his pluck.

MESSRS. WHEELOCK & CO.'s *Freight Market Report* dated Shanghai, 3rd December, 1897, says:—In our issue of 19th ultimo we alluded to the probability of a fall in the London Conference rates, and this has already come to pass, commencing with a reduction of 2/6. So far there has been no further decline, and whether the fall will stop at 30/- remains to be seen, but some shippers seem quite confident that they will eventually be able to ship at as low as 25/-, less the customary return. For London *via* Suez.—The *Manila* and *Antenor* have loaded and cleared during the past fortnight, affording ample tonnage for shippers' requirements, while the *Formosa* and *Ulysses*, now loading, will take their departure to-morrow. For New York *via* Suez.—The *Cromarty* has occupied this berth since the departure of the *Fallodon Hall* on the 19th ultimo, and has secured an exceptionally large cargo from here, amounting to some 3,700 tons, principally composed of Wool transhipments from the Northern Ports. She cleared on the 1st instant, leaving the berth to the *Fernfield*, which is due to-day from Japan. This vessel having only a very limited space to dispose of here, should meet with quick despatch. Following vessels will be:—*Sikh*, due about 10th instant. *Yarrowdale*, due about 20th instant. *Port Adelaide*, due about 28th instant. *Hanseat*, due about 5th January. For New York *via* Cape.—The *Drumeltan* left on the 21st ult. and made a good run down to Hongkong in the very quick time of 3½ days. Tonnage is in fair demand, but in the absence of any ship available for charter shippers cannot at the moment obtain space. For New York *via* Pacific Lines.—Rates remain unchanged, the following steamers being the next to sail:—*Victoria*, 4th instant. *Kobe Maru*, 4th instant connecting with *Kinshu Maru*, leaving Kobe 11th instant. *Belgic* 11th instant. *Braemar* 18th instant. *Empress of Japan* 25th instant.

THE note "Delayed in Transmission" appended to our special telegram from Shanghai yesterday was inserted erroneously through a misreading of the date. As a matter of fact the message was transmitted in particularly quick time, for which the Joint Telegraph Companies deserve credit.

THE R. A. sports will be held at Happy Valley on Wednesday the 22nd instant commencing at 1 p.m. There are to be three open events—one a ¼ mile flat race open to the world, post entries, for which two prizes, one of them a cup, will be given. Also a ¼ mile race open to the Garrison and Fleet and a ¼ mile open to Colonial troops and Police. A capital programme of seventeen events has been drawn up and the prizes offered are such as should result in good fields and exciting finishes. There are already a number of sprinters in hard training. All information required can be obtained from C.Q.M.S. Blease, R.A. North Barracks.

AT a meeting of the United Service Lodge last night Bro. D. Hall was installed as W.M. for the ensuing year by District Grand Master, Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., assisted by the D.D.G.M., E. C. Ray, and the Grand Lodge officers. The following were then invested:—

S.W.	Bro. J. Bremner
J.W.	" B. Greet
Treasurer	" S. W. Hunt
Secretary	" W. L. Ford
S.D.	" G. W. Walling
J.D.	" R. W. Scragnell
D.C.	" W. H. Woolley
I.G.	" J. H Vacoe
Steward	" W. Robertson
Tyler	" J. R. Grimble

The investiture over, the Brethren proceeded to the banqueting hall where full justice was done to a grand supper served by Bro. Jas Goodchild (of the Grill Room) in his best style. The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured at the banquet and a very pleasant evening was spent, many of the Brethren favouring the company with songs, recitations and speeches.

THE *Shogyo Shimpo* remarks that many Cotton Spinning Companies have applied to the Industrial Bank for loans, but up to the 16th ultimo, only four companies had received advances, the total amount not being more than 300,000 yen. The journal adds the information that the losses by the spinners are not so heavy as is generally supposed, and business is yet far from the point at which the mills must be shut down. The argument is interesting. By using raw cotton costing 21 yen per picul, it says, and selling the yarn at 88 yen per bale, the loss will not be more than 155 per bale. But this loss, it says, when put against the profits made a few months ago at the rate of 10 yen per bale, should not be intolerable. The *Shogyo* is a veritable Job's comforter. "Should the stock now accumulated be disposed of," it sagely remarks, "it will not be difficult to relieve the depression." That, it must be confessed, is a brilliant idea!

THE *Yomiuri* has obtained an interview with Count Okuma, ex-Foreign Minister, concerning the German occupation of Kiao-chau Bay, and publishes the following as the Minister's opinions:—"The present move of Germany is radical in the extreme and displays an unpeaceful spirit. The action taken by Germany may be due to various causes. To seize territory merely on account of the murder of missionaries, and also without taking the proper diplomatic measures for redress, is almost as bad as open robbery (*goto*). In my opinion, Germany has most probably some other important grievance against China. It is extremely difficult to form any judgment on the step taken by Germany before the details concerning the matter arrive. At this juncture the Japanese Government should lose no time in instructing its representative in Berlin to inquire of the German Government the reason for its action, and the Japanese Minister to Peking should likewise inquire of Chinese Government concerning the circumstances of the present affair and whether it is connected with any diplomatic trouble. The present action of Germany is very unpeaceful, and is not only injurious to the peace of the Orient, but if such action becomes a precedent it will be difficult to maintain the peace of the world. In view of international law the question is very important, and the Powers should not remain silent."

THE *Kobe Chronicle* says that Mr. Kadzu Tomo Takahashi, a gentleman who recently returned from Canada, has delivered a lecture before the students of the Higher Commercial School at Tokio, to which the *Japan Times* devotes more than three columns. The lecture was entitled "To Our Future Business Men," yet, though Mr. Takahashi spoke for some fifty minutes and ranged over a considerable extent of ground, he did not, it seems, consider it necessary to say anything concerning the danger which threatens Japanese commerce from failure of the merchants to keep engagements, to which attention is again being directed by Consular reports. As bearing upon this matter a significant incident has been brought to our knowledge. A firm in Kobe received by one mail within the last week letters from correspondents abroad, no less than three of whom referred to the injury done in various ways to Japanese trade. The first extract says:—

"I have just been advised by the firm I have represented in —— for the last ten years or so that they are not going to do any more business with Japan until the Japanese learn to be honest and fair in their business."

The second extract is an acknowledgement of an answer to certain inquiries made, and runs as follows:—

"We thank you for your information about your labour market and note with regret the low standard of commercial morality prevailing. We cannot but think that the country must pass through severe trials and suffer much distress before it will be purified and attain the elevation of European nations."

A third extract deals with the difficulties which Japanese products are incurring from the rise in the price of labour. The writers say with regard to certain orders:—

"If you can repeat them please do so; if not never mind. We note your remarks regarding uncertainty of labour and can only say that it will eventually kill the trade here, as it was the low price that caused the demand for these particular lines."

TO-MORROW afternoon, at the Happy Valley, the Hongkong Football Club will play the West Yorkshire Regiment under Association rules. Kick-off at 4 o'clock. Club in white, Army in colours. The Club team will be:—A. N. Other, *goal;* T. W. Hornby and S. Deacon, *backs;* E. E. Deacon, H. W. Looker (Captain), and C. Stockwell, *halves;* H. S. Moberley, H.K.R., E. F. Mackay, A. S. Anton, J. F. Noble and A. E. M. Had, R.A., *forwards.*

STILL they come, says the *Kobe Chronicle.* Another batch of seventy-eight Korean coolies has arrived in Japan to work as miners in Karatsu, because of the scarcity of Japanese labour. At present we have a class of American politicians raising the alarm of a threatened conquest of Hawaii by Japan in view of the constant influx of Japanese emigrants; we shall next hear about a threatened conquest of Japan by Korea! It is remarkable that side by side with the announcement that Korean labourers are being brought over to Japan to work in the coal mines, is the news that there is a surplus of labour in Japan. An Osaka paper states that owing to the constant rise in the price of the necessaries of life, agricultural labourers have been coming into the towns to seek more lucrative employment than they can obtain in the country districts. But the factories, which a few weeks ago were suffering from a scarcity of labour, are now suffering from a depression of trade, and in some cases the number of hands is being reduced rather than increased, so that for the time being, at least, the labour market in places like Osaka is somewhat congested.

MESSRS. WHEELOCK & Co.'s *Coal and Kerosene Oil Market Report,* dated Shanghai, 3rd December, 1897, says:—Coal.—Japan.—There has been a very large business done since we issued our last, chiefly consisting in arranging contracts for local consumption next year, and very heavy prices have had to be paid, about fifty per cent. above that paid twelve months ago; this may be attributed to the very great increase in the number of consumers and to the continued scarcity of the article in Japan. We must expect a further rise, as the native requirements have still to be settled. Cardiff.—Has only changed hands in small quantities, and holders do not seem eager to sell. Sydney Wollongong.—Is apparently not to be obtained, offers have been made at Tls. 11 per ton, but our friends appear not to wish to do business, or it may be on account of not being able to obtain tonnage. There is absolutely no stock. Cardiff ex godown Tls 17.00 per ton. American Anthracite, ex godown Tls 12.00 per ton nominal. Sydney Wollongong, steamer cargo ex godown Tls 10.50 per ton nominal. Hayama, Menjil, Ohnoura, Kanada, Akaike Tls. 6.75 @ 7.50 per ton. Takasima, Namazata, Miiké none for sale. Kerosene oil.—American.—The continued scarcity of the much despised white metal has had a very serious effect on this market, holders held on to their purchases as long as it was possible, but eventually when interest reached the ruinous rate of 36½ per cent. per annum something had to go, and Devoes' was smashed on the market, which resulted in many sales taking place at Tls. 1.50; however, everything has improved slightly, and the market quotation may be considered steady at Tls. 1.52½ per case. There have been no arrivals. Stocks are now 412,492 cases. Batoum.—What is actually needed for immediate consumption is the only business done. Stocks are 357,000 cases. Langkat.—Has changed hands in fairly large quantities at Tls. 1.48½ per case. Deliveries have been very good, and there are only 35,000 cases left in stock."

THE case of Judge Takano bids fair to become one of the most celebrated questions of the "transition era" of Japan, says a northern contemporary. It will be remembered that he was lately ordered by the Governor-General of Formosa to vacate his position as President of the High Court at Taipeh and that he, very properly as it seems to me, refused to respect the order. He proceeded to Tokio with the object of establishing his point, *viz.,* that the Constitution guaranteed him in his place unless he had been convicted of a criminal offence or other crime calling for disciplinary punishment. Arriving at Tokio he found to his dismay that the Government was no less opposed to him than the Governor-General of Formosa and that they sought to escape from a difficult position by arguing that the Constitution had not been extended to the recently conquered territory. Still determined to maintain his case the Judge announced his intention to return to Taipeh and resume his duties as Chief Judge of the High Court there. He returned and in due course re-entered and took possession of the official residence of the President of the High Court. It was impossible, of course, that the Governor-General could allow things to remain as they were. To allow Judge Takano to remain in office was to discredit his own authority as the supreme executive officer in the island; either the Judge had to be ejected, removed by force if necessary, or a frank and damaging admission made of the error and unconstitutionality of the order removing him. The former course was decided upon, and on the afternoon of the 28th October, a force of Police Inspectors, constables and others moved down upon the judge's official residence and forcibly removed him from the building. The affair carried great excitement of course, and future developments will be anxiously awaited. The news has produced quite a stir in Japan and in the interest of the judiciary as well as of the country generally it is to be hoped the vernacular Press will keep the case before the public and insist upon the government respecting Art. 53 of the constitution, which says:—"The Judges shall be appointed from among those who possess qualifications according to law. *No judge shall be deprived of his position, unless by way of criminal sentence or disciplinary punishment,*" *i.e.* for some specific offence, clearly charged against him and legally proven. The government has ordered Mr. Nomura, Director of the Formosan Affairs Bureau, to Taipeh, and pending his arrival on the scene nothing further is likely to occur.

THE V. R. C. REGATTA.

THE FIRST DAY'S RACES.

Favoured with glorious weather the 41st annual Regatta under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club opened to-day very successfully. Bright sunshine, a clear sky and a gentle breeze made the day an ideal one for rowing, though several of the sailing folk heartily wished for a few more capfuls of wind. As was the case last year the North German Lloyds very courteously placed their fine steamer *Hohenzollern* (Captain Bleeker) at the disposal of the Committee as flagship and she served the purpose admirably. Above and below she was in spick and span order and the worthy Captain and his officers spared no pains to secure the pleasure of the visitors. She was gaily dressed with bunting from stem to stern. There was a large attendance during the afternoon, including many ladies, who warmly championed the various crews and took a keen interest in the races. Visitors were conveyed to the flagship by the launch *Wing Lee* and the steamer *Fame* (the latter kindly lent by the Dock Co.). The Hongkong Regiment's Band played on the flagship during the afternoon, their selections pleasantly punctuating the intervals between the races and considerably enhancing the visitors' enjoyment. The harbour presented a pretty and animated aspect, craft of all kind being afloat, from tiny canoes up to the stately cruising craft and there was almost every kind of Chinese craft dodging hither and thither. The two French warships which opportunely arrived this morning helped to eke out the picturesqueness of the scene and along the water front at Kowloon a large throng of spectators gathered. Tiffin was served in A1 style on the flagship by Messrs Madar and Farmer and the quarterdeck was devoted to afternoon tea for the ladies.

Among those on the flagship during the day were Commodore Holland, Col. The O'Gorman, Hon. E. R. Belilios, Comdr. Shakespeare, R. M. Lieut Ryan, R.U., Messrs. R. Wildman (U. S. Consul), T. Jackson, R. M. Gray, Navarro (Spanish Consul) and many other representative people.

The trophies awarded as prizes, consisting of some fine specimens of the silversmith's art, were on view in the saloon companion.

The results were as follow:—

LIGHT GIGS; open to the Chinese crews of the same hong or office, regiment, corps, department, or ship. Boats must carry a European coxwain. Boats to be passed by the Committee. Distance, one mile. Time allowance, 8 seconds per oar; 1st prize, $10; 2nd prize, $5. Post entry.

Victor Emanuel 1
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Only two crews of Chinese competed and the race was won after a spirited contest by about four strokes.

CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE CUP; for four oars. Cup to be held by the winning crew for one year; but to remain the property of the Club. Distance, one mile and a half. Entrance, $10. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

"LEEK."
Station No. 4.—White.

Bow, L. A. Rose	9st	0lb		1
No. 2, E. Thorert	11st	2lb		
No. 3, W. Armstrong	12st	5lb		
Stroke, A. A. Alves	10st	7lb		
Cox, F. W. White	9st	0lb		

"THISTLE."
Station No. 5.—Black, pink sash.

Bow, A. E. Alves	10st	5lb	2
No. 2, G. H. Potts	12st	3lb	
No. 3, G. Mollison	12st	4lb	
Stroke, R. F. Lammert	11st	2lb	
Cox, E. Grant Smith	9st	0lb	

"ROSE."
Station No 1.—White and Black.

Bow, G. L. Duncan	10st	6lb	0
No. 2, G. C. Hayward	11st	6lb	
No. 3, G. Wilson	12st	11lb	
Stroke, J. M. Henderson	11st	9lb	
Cox, J. M. E. de Carvalho	9st	0lb	

"SHAMROCK."
Station No. 2.—White.

Bow, T. Meek	10st	5lb	0
No. 2, A. Brooke-Smith	12st	5lb	
No. 3, E. Bischoff	11st	6lb	
Stroke, F. Lammert	10st	10lb	
Cox, F. H. Kew	9st	0lb	

"KORNBLUME."
Station No. 3.—Blue.

Bow, E. E. Deacon	10st	7lb	0
No. 2, G. R. Stevens	11st	1lb	
No. 3, Albert Ellis	10st	10lb	
Stroke, E. D. Sanders	12lb	10lb	
Cox, C. T. Kew	9st	0lb	

At the start Sanders (*Kornblume*) broke his oar and gave up. *Thistle* went off with a lead for eight lengths when *Leek* passed her and after maintaining his position well till near the wharves Alves' crew won by a length and a half. *Rose* and *Shamrock* did not finish.

LIGHT GIGS; open to European Non-Commissioned Officers and men of any Regiment or Corps of the Garrison or to European crews of any of H. M. vessels or to European members of the Police Force; entrance, $1; distance, one mile; boats to be approved of by the Committee; time allowance, 8 seconds per oar; four boats must start for two prizes 1st prize $15; 2nd prize, $10.

Royal Engineers, *Victoria*, 6 oars 1
H.M.S. *Centurion* 2
H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel* (No. 1) *Marjorie* ... 0
(No. 2) *Joan*, ... 0
West York Regiment, ———, 6 oars 0

Won after a good race by about 6 lengths. West Yorks bow broke his oar at the loom at the third stroke.

LADIES' PRIZE; Presented by the ladies of Hongkong; for four oars; distance, one mile. Entrance, $10. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

"ROSE."
Station No. 2.—Black, pink sash.

Bow, L. A. Rose	9st	0lb	1
No. 2, F. Lammert	10st	10lb	
No. 3, W. Armstrong	12st	5lb	
Stroke, R. F. Lammert	11st	2lb	
Cox, G. A. Caldwell	9st	0lb	

"KORNBLUME."
Station No. 1.—Blue.

Bow, E. Thonert	11st	2lb	2
No. 2, G. C. Hayward	11st	6lb	
No. 3, E. Bischoff	11st	6lb	
Stroke, E. D. Sanders	12st	10lb	
Cox, C. T. Kew	9st	0lb	

"THISTLE."
Station No. 3.—Red and white.

Bow, A. E. Alves	10st	5lb	0
No. 2, A. A. Alves	10st	7lb	
No. 3, G. Wilson	12st	11lb	
Stroke, J. M. Henderson	11st	9lb	
Cox, J. M. E. Carvalho	9st	0lb	

A very fast race. *Thistle* led for about half the distance when Lammert spurted followed by *Kornblume.* The race was a very fast one and Lammert won by about 3 lengths.

At the conclusion of the race Mr. Machell (hon. Sec.) paraded the winning crew on the poop of the flagship and Miss Beatrice Jackson presented the stroke, "Fritz" Lammert with the prize. Mr. Lammert replied in a few words and presented Miss Jackson with a handsome bouquet, amid hearty cheers for the ladies. This is the third time Fritz has won this race, it having fallen to him in 1892 and 1896.

CUTTERS; confined to men-of-war crews. The boats to be approved by the Committee. Distance, one mile. Time allowed for oars, 8 seconds per oar. Four boats must start for two prizes. Entrance, $1. First prize, $15; second prize, $5. Post entries.

H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel,*— 1
H.M.S. *Iphigenia* (No. 2), 10 oars 2
H.M.S. *Tamar*, 10 oars 0
H.M.S. *Iphigenia* (No. 1), 10 oars 0

A clinking struggle throughout between second and third boat. Won by about 6 lengths.

CHINESE CUP; open pairs; crews to be submitted to the Boat House Committee. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club. Distance, one mile. Entrance, $5.

"LILY."
Station No. 3.—Blue.

Bow, G. C. Hayward	11st	6lb	1
Stroke, E. D. Sanders	12st	10lb	
Cox, C. T. Kew	9st	0lb	

"MAUDE."
Station No. 2.—White.

Bow, P. Hyndman	9st	4lb	2
Stroke, A. J. Ellis	11st	0lb	
Cox, F. H. Kew	9st	0lb	

"KATHLEEN."
Station No. 1.—Black, pink sash.

Bow, A. A. Alves	10st	7lb	0
Stroke, R. F. Lammert	11st	2lb	
Cox, G. A. Caldwell	9st	0lb	

A more disappointing race. *Kathleen* burst up about half way over the course. *Maude* and *Lily* made a race till about 300 yds. from the post when *Maude* slowed and *Lily* won at her ease.

*** Owing to the late hour at which the Regatta concluded we will give the remainder of the races to-morrow.

FOOCHOW RACES.

We are indebted to the courtesy of the Joint Telegraph Companies for the following:—

FOOCHOW, December 8th.

CLUB CUP.

Desperation	1
Seabreeze	2
Lazy Boy	3

FOOCHOW ST. LEGER.

Toledo	1
Ancient	2
Saraband	3

WINTER STAKES.

Millstream	1
Himalaya	2
Houpla	3

HONGKONG CUP.

Castanet	1
Kilroy	2

HAEKWAN CUP.

Houpla	1
Seabreeze	2
Beggarman	3

COMPRADORES' CUP.

Tantivy	1
Desperation	2
Ancient	3

FOOCHOW STAKES.

Toledo	1
Saraband	2
Himalaya	3

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The Eastern and Australian Co.'s steamship *Menmuir*, Capt. W. G. McArthur, from Sydney and ports, arrived in harbour last Monday. For the subjoined telegrams we are indebted to our Colonial exchanges:—

LONDON, November 10th.

Sir Wilfred Laurier, the Canadian Premier, expects that there will be 15,000 Australian miners on the Klondyke goldfields by spring next year.

Mr. J. F. Hogan, M.P., states that it is his intention to ask Mr. Chamberlain at the beginning of the next session of Parliament whether he will introduce an enabling bill to give effect to the separation resolution recently passed in the Queensland Legislative Assembly.

BRISBANE, November 11th.

The Queensland Turf Club continued its meeting on Tuesday at Eagle Farm, there being a large attendance.

The Prince of Wales' Cup, the principal race of the meeting, was won easily by the Northern horse X Ray. North Australian second and Mist third.

£5,400 was invested through the totalisator, and one race paid a dividend of £96.

A draft of sixty horses has been sold in Brisbane during the past week for exportation to India.

MELBOURNE, November 11th.

The cricket match, England *v.* Victoria, was continued at Melbourne, and the Englishmen concluded their innings for 250 runs.

At the conclusion of the day's play the Victorians had lost nine wickets for 242 runs.

For the Englishmen, in their first innings, Storer carried out his bat for 71; and the principal Victorian scorers were Worrall (73) and Harry (50).

The match was concluded yesterday, the Englishmen winning by two wickets.

The Victorians added only three runs to their score, and the second innings concluded for 245 runs.

The Englishmen in their second innings, scored 305 with nine wickets down, Mason being not out 128.

The attendance during the four days of the match totalled 57,000 people.

AUCKLAND, November 11th.

The New Zealand House of Representatives sat continuously for thirty-three hours discussing the Estimates.

LONDON, November 11th.

Another goldfield, similar in richness to Klondyke, is reported to have been made in Alaska.

The French Colonial Press are urging the French Minister for Foreign Affairs to urge Lord Salisbury to allow the retention of Say and Bousha in West Africa.

It is reported from the frontier on the Niger that the natives have attacked and defeated the French expedition which is crossing the British hinterland.

November 17th.

The tribesmen on the Indian Frontier have now submitted to General Lockhart.

It has transpired that certain gunmakers in Birmingham have been supplying large quantities of arms to the tribesmen on the Indian frontier.

In connection with the engineering dispute in Great Britain, the employers postponed the preliminary meeting of the conference to be held for the settlement of the dispute; but Mr. Ritchie, the President of the Board of Trade, has stated that both sides are disposed to approach the matter in a conciliatory spirit.

The London boilermakers who recently struck work in consequence of the employers reverting to the nine-hour day have returned to work.

Mr. T. J. Byrnes, the Queensland Attorney-General, has been visiting Rome, and while there had an interview with the Papal Secretary of State. He was also granted an audience by the Pope.

ADELAIDE, November 17th.

Stoddart's team of English cricketers, which commenced a match against a New South Wales combined eleven on Saturday last, have scored a victory with eight wickets to fall. The scores were: New South Wales, first innings, 311, second innings 260; England, first innings 335, and 237 for two wickets. Donnan for New South Wales, made 104, and for England MacLaren made 142 and 100; and Ranji not out 112.

The Intercolonial match, South Australia *v.* Victoria, is now proceeding. South Australia made 313 in their first innings. Victoria scored 157, and had to follow-on, putting up 231 in their second innings.

Monday was observed as a holiday throughout the city. Immense crowds attended at the cricket match.

Ernest Cavill, the Australian swimmer, has gone to the Cape, where he intends giving exhibitions. He will then return to Australia, and has signified his intention of bringing several other swimmers with him.

November 18th.

From investigations by the Committee of the Queensland National Bank it has been revealed there has been gross mismanagement and misplaced confidence. The losses are estimated at three and a half millions.

Intense heat has been experienced in Adelaide and the Eastern colonies, and still prevails.

G. R. Reid, M.P., Premier of New South Wales, has introduced a Bill for the further restriction of the immigration of aliens.

The *Changsha* brought another lot of eight Japanese for Thursday Island, four women and four men, the occupations of the former being "doubtful." These numbers of course do not look large, but if every steamer coming lands eight or nine Japanese, another twelve months will augment the number there to 1,000, which will place them in a stronger position numerically than the whole of the rest of the island's population; and in case of trouble, they will be an element that will have to be reckoned with.

In the Legislative Assembly on the 26th October, the Premier (Sir Hugh Nelson), in reply to Mr. Browne, who asked if he was aware that the immigration of Japanese was still continuing said the last information on the subject was given about three weeks ago. Since that time one Japanese had arrived by the *Menmuir.* The action now being taken by the Government with a view to the stoppage of the immigration had not reached such a stage as would enable it to be made public.

BRISBANE, November 18th.

The report of the Committee of Investigation into the affairs of the Queensland National Bank was laid on the table of the House and contains some startling disclosures.

It shows that to the end of June, 1896, the committee had ascertained the losses sustained by the bank, and estimated them at the total of £3,497,000, made up as follows:—Commercial losses, £1,243,000; pastoral, £505,000; agricultural, £293,000; mining, £773,000; and miscellaneous, £731,000.

The committee find that the late general manager was allowed full control by the directors over all transactions, merely taking his assurance that everything was going on well for granted. They also find that Sir Thomas M'Ilwraith's account shows a debit of £151,000, while the securities against that are now valued at only £60,000. It is also revealed that the late general manager advanced himself £67,000 without the knowledge of the directors, and the bank loses £46,000 by this transaction. These form two of the largest items in the report, there being many others of lesser degree shown in the report. The committee exonerates the directors of the bank from any personal stain, but consider that the most glaring mismanagement has occurred throughout the whole of the bank's affairs.

In consequence of the many fatalities in Torres Straits diving for pearl shell in the neighbourhood of Darnley Island, the Government has decided to prohibit the collecting or obtaining of pearl oyster shell of any variety in the Great North-East Channel of Torres Straits within the limits described, namely,—commencing at the north-eastern extremity of Darnley Island, thence by a line bearing south-east 8½ miles to Canoe Cay; thence south-west 16½ miles to Hannah Bank; thence north by east 13½ miles to a point off Tobin Cay; a mile north-east to Shellers Rock, thence north-east 4½ miles to the south-western extremity of Darnley Island; thence west 4½ miles to the northernmost point of Tobin Cay; thence 2½ miles to Nepean Island, and east about 7 miles to the point of commencement.

In the Supreme Court yesterday sentence of death was passed upon Frank Smith, who was found guilty on a charge of committing a capital offence upon a girl at Gympie.

On Wednesday the Home Secretary expressed his agreeableness to receive applications from trustees for the unemployed for a piece of land to be used for the purpose of a labour colony.

A miner named Thomas White has committed suicide at Georgetown by blowing his head off with a dynamite charge.

PERTH, November 18th.

Sir John Forrest's Budget statement in the West Australian Legislative Assembly estimates the current year's revenue at £3,000,000 or £165,000 more than last year.

COOKTOWN, November 19th.

The missionary ketch *Albert Maclaren* has just arrived from Samarai, and reports the return of Governor M'Gregor on the 10th instant, who states that Clunas, Elliott, and party made a discovery on the Mambare track, just above the police camp, and are getting one ounce to the dish. The report is so favourable that several miners, who were preparing to leave Samarai for Cooktown, immediately started for the find.

Later.

A passenger by the *Albert M'Laren* states that he was cutting on the track from the police camp to the Mambare field when he came on payable dirt which goes half-an-ounce to the dish, not one ounce as previously reported.

Later particulars of the gold discovery are expected by the *Waiwera,* due here in a few days, when the Governor will officially report upon the discovery of the gold.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

THE CUSTOMS SERVICE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—In regard to my letter published in your paper on 10th ultimo advocating certain reforms as regards the division of *personnel* in the I.M.C. into two classes, "Ins" and "Outs," and the attempted reply thereto by a writer thinly disguised as "A Ten Years' Married Man" in Canton, I can only say to him that reforms are not generally effected by kid-glove handling, and that the subject in question requires vigorous language rather than unmeaning inanities, which latter would apparently better please this apostle of "Culchaw." There is a time for everything and if he opposes the opinions expressed and will write to the point without digressing on in the interminable exchange question—no doubt the columns of the *Telegraph* are open to him.

Yours truly,
FIAT JUSTITIA RUAT CŒLUM.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1897.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

DECEMBER.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1895.

Barometer	30.177
Thermometer	62.5
Humidity	65.0
Rainfall	1.21

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.08	29.97
Thermometer	68	70
Humidity	63	55
Rainfall	......	......

TO-DAY.

Thursday, 9th December, 1897.
Chinese—*16th of 11th moon of 23rd year of Kwong-sü.*
Jewish—*14th Kislev, 5658.*
Mohammedan—*14th Rajab, 1315.*

Sun—	*Rises*	*6hr. 29mts.*
	Sets	*5hr. 15mts.*
Moon—	*Full Moon*	*0hr. 31mts. p.m.*
	Maximum Declination N.	*7hr. p.m.*
High water—	*Morning*	*10hr. 58mts.*
	Afternoon	*8hr. 31mts.*
Low water—	*Morning*	*3hr. 48mts.*
	Afternoon	*8hr. 5mts.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1608—John Milton, poet, born.
1861—Ningpo captured by the Taipings.
1888—Consecration of the new Pei-tang Cathedral at Peking.

TO-MORROW.

Friday, 10th December, 1897.
Chinese—*17th of 11th moon of 23rd year of Kwong-sü.*
Jewish—*15th Kislev, 5658.*
Mohammedan—*15th Rajab, 1315.*

Sun—	*Rises*	*6hr. 30mts.*
	Sets	*5hr. 16mts.*
High water—	*Morning*	*11hr. 39mts.*
	Afternoon	*9hr. 2mts.*
Low water—	*Morning*	*4hr. 17mts.*
	Afternoon	*2hr. 55mts.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1865—Death of Leopold, first King of the Belgians.
1890—The s.s. *Namoa* pirated near Hongkong; 3 lives lost and several persons wounded.
1891—Governor Sir Wm. Robinson, K.C.M.G., arrived in Hongkong.

MEMORANDA.

TO-MORROW,—10th December.
Tacoma mail due.
1 p.m.—V.R.C. Regatta.

SATURDAY,—11th December.
Indian mail due.

SUNDAY,—12th December.
English mail due.

SHARE MARKET.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

No alteration reported since yesterday p.m.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

Tacoma (*Olympia*) to-morrow.
Indian (*Catherine Apcar*) 11th inst.
English (*Chusan*) 12th inst.
German (*Prinz Heinrich*) 15th inst.
American (*Coptic*) 17th inst.
Australian (*Yamashiro Maru*) 17th inst.
American (*City of Rio de Janeiro*) 25th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 28th inst.
American (*Gaelic*) 5th prox.

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THE "Rickmers" Line chartered steamship *Mount Tabor*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port yesterday, and may be expected here on or about the 17th inst.

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SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 6 p.m. yesterday to 6 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Formosa	steamer,	from	Japan
Ulysses	"	"	Shanghai
Chihli	"	"	Chinkiang
Tetartos	"	"	Saigon
Kniwsberg	"	"	Haiphong
Sullberg	"	"	Haiphong
Hansteat	"	"	Singapore
Fausang	"	"	Moji
Hermes	"	"	Canton
Smit	"	"	Canton
Humber	storeship	"	Nagasaki
Bayard	flagship	"	Yokohama
Descartes	cruiser	"	Kobe

Aggregating 29,730 tons register.

DEPARTURES.

Formosa	steamer,	for	Coast Ports
Holstein	"	"	Canton
Chihli	"	"	Canton
Port Adelaide	"	"	Yokohama
Haihow	"	"	Swatow
Chunshan	"	"	Swatow
Tetartos	"	"	Saigon
Bengo	gunboat	"	Macao

Aggregating 8,867 tons register.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

Moewe (H.I.G.M.S.)	at	Kowloon	Dock
Kwonghoi	"	"	"
Alacrity (H.M.S.)	"	"	"
West York	"	Cosmopolitan	"

PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD—12th November—*Glengyle, Hertha, Java, Radnorshire, Hector, Lyderhorn.* 16th November—*Energia, Niobe, Longships, Morven, Patroclus, Ixion.* 19th November—*Chingwo, Oopack, Christina, Medusa, Norman.* 23rd November—*Prinz Heinrich.* 26th November—*Ceylon, Polyphemus, Glaucus, Laos, Electra, Titania.* 30th November—*Diomed, Oanfa, Ceres, Senta, Glenesk.* 3rd December—*Benlarig, Pingsuey, Sachsen, Yarra, Ghazee, Dordogne.* 7th December—*Argyll, Irene, Glenartney, Amphitrite, Delhi, Rickmers, Orwell, St. Ronald.*

HOMEWARD—19th November—*Sumatra, Sydney, Ivo.* 23rd November—*Dardanus.* 30th November—*Macduff.* 7th December—*Caledonien.*

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FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 12th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 12th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
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Hongkong, 6th December, 1897. [1-w 1748

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
YAMASHIRO MARU .... J. Jones	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	MONDAY, 20th December, at 4 P.M.
SANUKI MARU .... W. Townsend	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA STRAITS (Transhipping Cargo for JAVA PORTS), COLOMBO and PORT SAID.........	TUESDAY, 21st December, at 4 P.M.
YAMAGUCHI MARU .... S. Kawamura	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 23rd December, at 4 P.M.
SAGAMI MARU .... M. J. Curnow	SHANGHAI, CHEMULPO, SHIMONOSEKI and KOBE	FRIDAY, 24th December, at 4 P.M.
TOKIO MARU......... E. W. Haswell	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 24th December, at 4 P.M.
IZUMI MARU .... R. Nunome.........	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for Java Ports), and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 28th December, at Noon.
*RIOJUN MARU......... A. E. Moses	SEATTLE, WASH., U.S.A., VIA KOBE YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	THURSDAY, 30th December, at 4 P.M.

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TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

On View from FRIDAY, the 10th December, 1897.

PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [1818

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 525.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on
MONDAY,
the 13th day of December, 1897, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 27th November, 1897. [1806

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction, Sale, to be held on Monday, the 13th day of December, 1897, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
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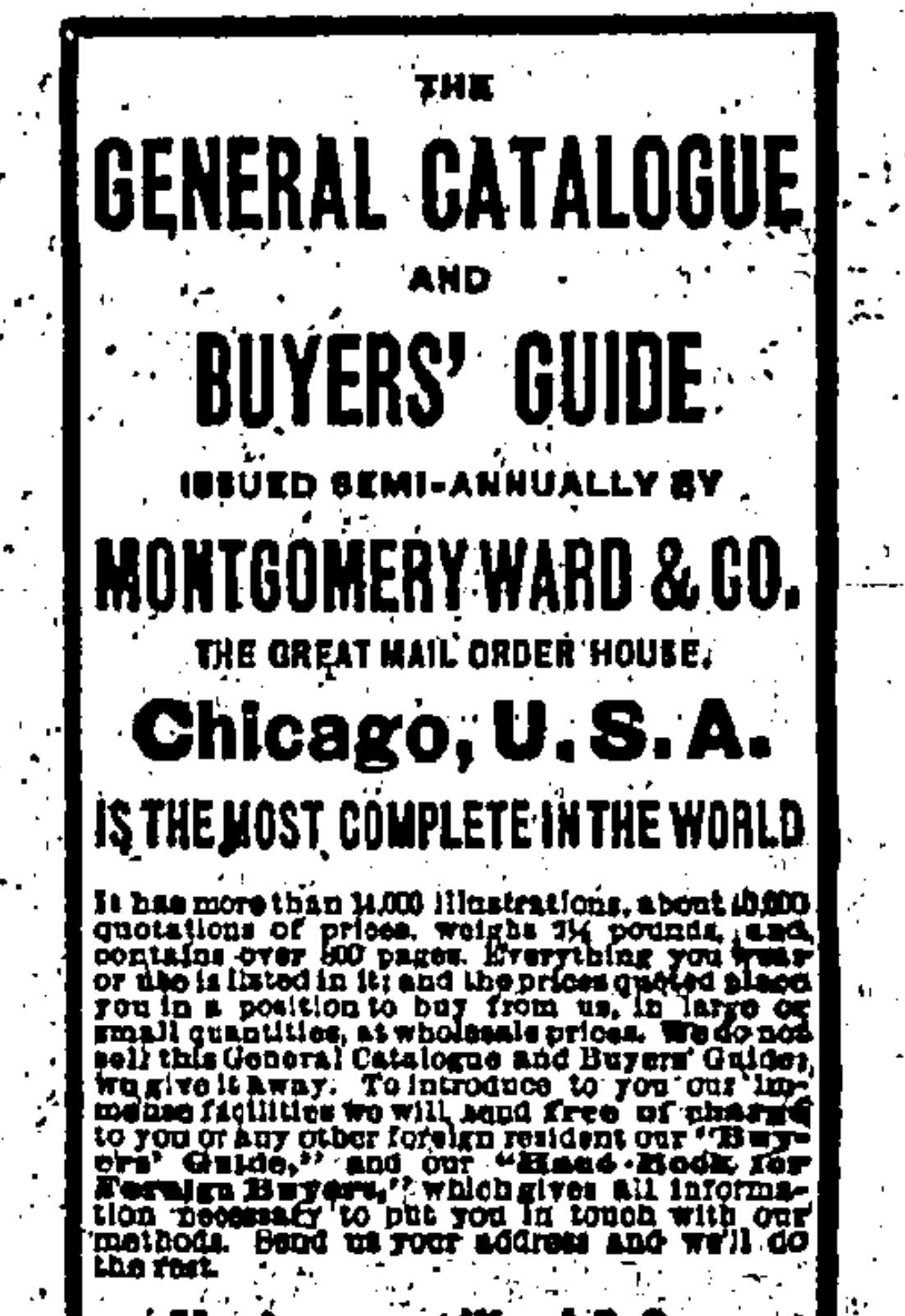

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Hongkong, 9th December, 1897. [1815

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Hongkong, 9th December, 1897. [1801

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FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

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Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [1812

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Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [1660

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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1897. [1792

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Steamship
"NANYO MARU,"
Captain Tomita, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 14th instant.

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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1897. [1793

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1897. [1786

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"FERNFIELD,"
Captain W. McFee, will be despatched as above on or about 15th December.
To be followed by the
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S.S. "ORWELL" on or about 18th Feb., 1898.

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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1897. [1766

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FOR MARSEILLES.

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Captain N. Hocker, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 20th instant.

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1897. [1804

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FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship
"PYRRHUS,"
Captain Batt, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 20th instant.

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1897. [1788

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1897. [1

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).........	Tuesday, 28th Dec., at Noon.
Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).........	Saturday, 15th Jan., at Noon.
Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	Thursday, 3rd Feb., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship
"COPTIC"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 28th Dec., 1897, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

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Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

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Hongkong, 2nd September, 1897. [2

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Peru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).........	Thursday, 16th Dec., at Noon.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Inland Sea and Yokohama	Thursday, 6th Jan., at Noon.
City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	Tuesday, 25th Jan., at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship
"PERU"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 16th Dec., 1897, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through *Passage* Tickets granted to England, *France*, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding *through* ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European Officers in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 24th August, 1897. [1

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THE Steamship
"MIRZAPORE,"
Captain T. Wickenden, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 16th Dec., at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

All Cargo for France and London will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1897. [5

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA
IN CONNECTION WITH
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Braemar	3,601	E. Porter............	Dec. 21.
Columbia	2,695	A. Gow............	Jan. 11.
Tacoma	2,519	A. Dixon............	Feb. 1.
Victoria	3,167	J. Panton, R.N.R.	Feb. 22.

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FOR PORTLAND, OREGON,
IN CONNECTION WITH
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Olympia	2,608	Dobson	Dec. 14.
Mogul...	3,654	W. H. Wright......	Jan. 4.
Pelican..	2,338	A. Gyve	Feb. 8.

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Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
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Hongkong, 4th November, 1897. [4

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NOTICE.

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N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday......	4th Jan.
Preussen	Tuesday......	1st Feb.
Sachsen	Tuesday......	1st March.

ON TUESDAY, the 4th day of January, 1898, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Capt. O. Cuppers, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 1st Jan. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY the 3rd Jan., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 3rd Jan. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than [illegible] and Parcels should not exceed Two Foot Cubic in measurement.

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Hongkong, [illegible] [1811

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